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SUBJECT: CENTO MEETING OF NUCLEAR POWER EXPERTS, ISLAMABAD,
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1. REFTEL LISTED CENTO SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS FOR REMAINDER OF
FY 75 AND INDICATED THOSE FOR WHICH US EXPERTS WERE REQUESTED.
ALTHOUGH SUBJECT MEETING NOT AMONG LATTER, SCIATT BELIEVES
IMPORTANCE OF SUBJECT AND POSTPONEMENT OF OTHER MEETINGS MAKE
IT DESIRABLE TO SEND US EXPERT TO THIS ONE. MEETING NOW FIRM
FOR ISLAMABAD, APRIL 22-25.

2. MEETING GROWS OUT OF SYMPOSIUM ON ECONOMICS OF NUCLEAR
POWER PLANTS (ANKARA, JUNE 1974) WHICH RECOMMENDED FOLLOW-ON
MEETING FOR SENIOR TECHNICAL OFFICIALS REPRESENTING: MINISTRY
OF POWER OR ENERGY, ATOMIC ENERGY ORGANIZATION, ELECTRICITY
GENERATING BOARD, AND STATE PLANNING ORGANIZATION. CENTO SCIEN-
TIFIC COORDINATING BOARD HAS APPROVED MEETING.

3. PURPOSE OF MEETING IS TO CONSIDER AND, IF POSSIBLE, PREPARE
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DETAILED PLANS FOR REGIONAL ACTIVITIES ON OVERALL PLANNING, ORGANI-

ZATION, CONSTRUCTION, AND OPERATION OF NUCLEAR POWER PROJECTS. WOULD COVER ALL PROJECT AND OPERATIONAL MATTERS INCLUDING RESEARCH, TRAINING, PLANNING, STAFFING, AND FEATURES OF REACTOR SYSTEMS PARTICULARLY SUITABLE FOR CENTO REGION. SCB HAS ALSO ASKED EXPERTS TO CONSIDER HOW ACTION COULD BE INITIATED ON RECOMMENDATIONS 2-6 OF 1974 SYMPOSIUM; I.E.: (1) NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE. PROGRESS TOWARDS INDEPENDENCE AND SELF-SUFFICIENCY WOULD BE GREATLY ACCELERATED IF FUEL FABRICATION (AND IN DUE COURSE REPROCESSING) FACILITIES WERE PLANNED TO SERVE WHOLE CENTO REGION. CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO REGIONAL NEEDS FOR VARIOUS PRODUCTS AND PROCESSES AND TECHNICAL, ECONOMIC, AND LOGISTIC PROBLEMS INVOLVED. (2) REGULATORY AND RELATED SAFETY MATTERS. PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR POWER IN DEVELOPED COUNTRIES HAS BEEN CONDUCTED IN PARALLEL WITH ESTABLISHMENT OF NUMEROUS INSTITUTIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR ENSURING REGULATION AND SAFE CONDUCT OF NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES. DETAILED RECOMMENDATIONS COULD BE MADE FOR LICENSING, REGULATORY PRACTICES, CODES, INSPECTORATES, RADIOLOGICAL PROTECTION, TRANSPORTATION OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS, ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT, ETC. ON A REGIONAL BASIS. (3) ELECTRICITY UTILITY SYSTEM PLANNING PROCEDURES AS RELATED TO NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS, IN ORDER TO PROMOTE COMMON PRACTICES IN SUCH AREAS AS SYSTEMS STABILITY LIMITS, RELIABILITY, OUTAGE RATES, AND MAXIMUM ACCEPTABLE UNIT SIZE. (4) ORGANIZATION OF A SURVEY OF CAPACITY OF MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY IN REGION TO CONTRIBUTE TO CONSTRUCTION OF NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS BY PRODUCING EQUIPMENT AND COMPONENTS. (5) ESTABLISHMENT OF TECHNICAL INFORMATION CENTER FOR DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION ABOUT NUCLEAR POWER DEVELOPMENT.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: EARLY DECISION ON PROVISION OF AMERICAN EXPERT. OTHER MEETINGS FOR WHICH US EXPERTS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FOR REMAINDER FY ARE: (1) FOOD COMPOSITION COORDINATORS, TEHRAN, FEB. 24-26; (2) PANEL ON OPTIMUM USE OF WATER IN AGRICULTURE, LYALLPUR, MAR. 3-5. PANEL ON SOLAR ENERGY TO BE RECONSIDERED BY SCB AT FEB. 16-18 MEETING BUT LIKELY TO BE APPROVED FOR MAY. SUGGEST APPROPRIATE PERSON IS DR. O.B. FALLS, 2107 DALE ROAD, JACKSON, MICHIGAN 49203, WHO ATTENDED ORIGINAL SYMPOSIUM AND WAS VERY WELL RECEIVED.
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